

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

### **LISTING OF CLAIMS**

1. - 5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) A network device for generating print data in accordance with information resources received from outside, and sending said print data to a printer;

characterized in that print related information necessary for generating said print data is appropriately acquired from a prescribed location on the network at a prescribed time;

wherein said prescribed location on the network is obtained from a location information distribution server separate from the prescribed location;

wherein said print data is generated by using said acquired print related information, and sent to said printer; and

characterized in that said print related information is classified under at least two groups in accordance with the a priority of acquisition thereof.

7. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 6,

characterized in that the print related information classified under a high-priority installation group comprises at least either a color conversion table, a printer driver program, basic font data or a basic font renderer program.

8. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 6,

characterized in that the print related information classified under a low-priority installation group comprises at least either a program for interpreting a format of said information resources to be received, font data of ~~the~~ a font which is included in said information resources or ~~the~~ a font renderer program of said font.

9. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 6,

characterized in that said network device, concerning a memory area for storing the print related information, classifies and manages the storage area for each of said groups.

10. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 6,

characterized in that said network device, concerning print related information classified under a low-priority installation group, appropriately deletes the print related information at a prescribed time.

11. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 6,

characterized in that said network device, upon acquiring the print related information, accesses a server providing location information of the print related information, and inquires for the location information on the network of the print related information.

12. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 6,

characterized in that said print related information is acquired in case that said print related information which has already been contained in said network device is judged to be different from said print related information which has been contained in a the prescribed location on said network.

13. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 6,

characterized in that said print related information is acquired in case that said print related information which has already been contained in said network device is judged to be required to be replaced with said print related information which has been contained in a the prescribed location on said network.

14. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 12,

characterized in that said network device makes said ~~judgement~~ judgment by itself.

15. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 13,  
characterized in that said network device makes said ~~judgement~~judgment by itself.

16. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 12,  
characterized in that said ~~judgement~~judgment is made at a ~~prescribed~~specified  
location on said network.

17. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 13,  
characterized in that said ~~judgement~~judgment is made at a ~~prescribed~~specified  
location on said network.

18. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 6,  
characterized in that the print related information acquired from a ~~the~~  
prescribed location on said network is retained in said network device, and said print  
related information is held to be available until it is deleted.

19. (Currently Amended) A network device according to Claim 6,  
characterized in that if, upon acquiring said print related information from a ~~a~~the  
prescribed location on said network, said network device comprises preceding print  
related information corresponding to said print related information which is acquired,  
said preceding print related information is deleted.

20. (Currently Amended) A network device for generating print data in accordance with information resources received from outside, and sending said print data to a printer;

characterized in that print related information necessary for generating said print data is appropriately acquired from a prescribed location on the network at a prescribed time;

wherein said print data is generated by using said acquired print related information, and sent to said printer; and

characterized in that the print related information which is acquired from ~~a~~the prescribed location on said network contains in addition to a sender's address, information concerning a prescribed location on said network to be accessed upon the next acquisition of said print related information.

21-32 (Cancelled)

33. (Currently Amended) A printer generating print data in accordance with ~~the~~ information resources received from outside, and executing ~~the~~ printing;

characterized in that ~~the~~ print related information necessary for generating said print data is appropriately acquired from a prescribed location on ~~the~~a network at a prescribed time;

wherein said print data is generated and printed by using said acquired print related information; and

characterized in that the print related information which is acquired from ~~a~~ the prescribed location on said network contains in addition to a sender's address, information concerning a prescribed location on said network to be accessed upon the next acquisition of said print related information.

34. - 36. (Cancelled)